

iday-"A Jolly Night."

Once more will the delightful metalle and the witty dialogues of "The Little years" be heard in this city when uma-surs will present it at the Academy of

immediately accepted them.

SPLENDID OUTLOOK.

He was requested to makethis production of the opera causi to any former one ever given in this city both in company, and instaging: Profesor Stein has displayed his keen knowledge of discovery to make the control of the control displayed his keen knowledge of distributing what pleases the public most in bringing together one of the strongest amateur organizations ever seen in this city. The cast and chorus has been drawn entirely from home talent, which lends all the more interest to the performance since New York and other cities have lend aid. many operatic productions given here he many operate productions given acceptable on the fore. Nearly every theatre-goer is familiar with the libretto and score of Willard Spencer's charming opera the scene of which are laid in America making it at American opera throughout. The music is just the kind and character that catch est the public as it is lively, rythmic and melodic, and a major portion of it is written in a harmonious tenor which gives it a unique position among modern comic operas, all so prevalent with a

omic operas all so prevalent with a march movement.

Mr. Spencer has written a very interceiting and humorous libretto with many witty lines and sayings.

OF THE CAST.

Of the cast that will be seen too much praise cannot be written. Miss Bessie isPace who is casted for the role of "Violet" is admirably fitted for the role as she has a pretty face and a graceful. "Violet" is admirably fitted for the rose
as she has a pretty face and a graceful
manner which combined with her excellent soprano voice makes her an ideal
"Violet." Mirs Maggie Leahy who makes
her operatic debut in the part of "Dolly
Dimple," a mischief making miss, is full
of life and vivacity that are required for
the role, and Mrs. Thomas Smith, who
has undertaken with great success the
character of "Miss Hurricane" is another
lady who will make her first angearance. lady who will make her first appearance "The Marchieness of Polenback" has fallen to the lot of Miss C. C. Helleran, and she will give prominence to the rol-

has disdained to accept the tenor role and will be seen as "General Knickerbocker." Those who have seen him at the rehearsals say he has found a part that admir ably fits his mimic talents as well as his

Mr. Frank McCarthy who won so much Ar. Frack McCarthy who won so much praise several years ago in the operat of "Powhatan fills the tenor role of "Albin Barry. Mr. McCarthy is not only handsome but will make a most ardent lover of "Violet." Mr. Charles Eubank as "Rufus Ready," and Mr. J. Louis Sullivan as "Lord Dolphin," are both well known or their ability to cope with the music of light opera and have been seen before in such productions. Mr. Lon Wilbefore in such productions. Mr. Lon Wil-son, a clever comedian will be seen as "Teddy" who makes merry as "Lord Dol-

phin's" valet. THE CHORUS. THE CHORUS
In the chorus are Misses Tinsley,
Eddins, Burke, Holleran, O'Neil, Shelton,
Evans, Locket, Perkinson, Barfoot, Frawner, Scott, Garthright, Paterson and
Messrs, Ryan, Jones, Robinson, Bosher,
Wilkes, McConnell, Sykes, Callahan,
Greenwood, Croxton, Kellogg, Toone,
Lay, Wilton, Snarks, Forbea, Dyer, Pumphrey, Curlis, Taylor Poindexter, Baughan, Morrissey, and Nelson.
Mr. Oscar Sission has the direction of
the stage and his experience in such
matters makes him a valuable acquisition
to Professor Stein's force of assistants.
"A JOLLY NIGHT."

The musical comedy sufficiency, "A

The musical comedy sufficiency, "A Jolly Night," said to be funnier than "My Friend From India," or "The Private Secretary," will be presented Friday night at the Academy of Music by the clever comedian, Edwin Trayers,

'A Jolly Night" is decidedly a musical

Masier George Morrison, the sweet-voiced youngster, and others. As a prelude to the comedy, that charming, pathetic and touching little story of "Forget-Me-Nots" will be offered, and during the evening a number of new and novel musteal numbers will be introduced in addition to other specials embracing imitations by Mr. Barrington, dancing by Miss Barrington, and singing by Miss Uvert.

NAT C. GOODWIN.

No one can doubt that when the curtain rises at the Academy of Music next Saturday night the audience will fill the house to the doors, when it is known that Richmond's greatest favorite, Nat C.

house to the doors, when it is known that Richmond's greatest favorite, Nat C. Goodwin, will appear assisted by charming Miss Maxine Ellicit in his most successful comedy attempt. "A Gilded Fool." Mr. Goodwin has not produced any new play this season, and he will at the request of Manager Leath, who was prompted by the public demands present "A Gilded Fool." The title character is atmirably adunted to Mr. Goodwin's fineably adapted to Mr. Goodwin's fine drawn comedy, and is a play full of nnocent humor and wit judiciously brought about by a clever plot. He is supported by an excellent com-

pany of actors.

The sale of scats commences at the box office to-morrow morning.

Manager Leath has recently booked E. E. Rice's musical comedy "The Girl From Paris." which has created such a furor by the witty sayings and dashing music contained in the operatta. It will be shortly presented in this city by the origical company which numbers over forty

FRED EMERSON BROOKS.

"The California Poet Humorist" on the Star Course, Friday Night,

The Star Course Committee have secured as a substitute for Robert J. Bur dette, who has been incapacitated for the present season by the loss of his voice, Fred Emerson Brooks "the California poet-Humerist." Mr. Brooks is a hu-morist of national fame and has appeared on the leading course of our country. Mr. Brooks is a native of New York and graduated from Madison University in 1873. The first poem that brought him into prominence was the Fourth of July poem and the Memorial Day poem.

voice of thunder like that of Edwin For-rest, which at his will be can make as soft as a summer zephyr. The music of his voice is apparent from the fact that he is a fine baritone, but he never per-mits himself to sing preferring to conline himself to his special delight—the delivery of his own poems. There is no-thing within the range of the human voice

that he does not seem equal to.

There is no passion of feeling he does not betray, nor dialect, nor character, nor sound of animais about the farmyard he does not imitate. And with all he has such a delightful personality and such a magnificent presence, standing he has such a delightful personality and such a magnificent presence, standing mearly six feet tall and weighing nearly two hundred pounds; he is so command-ing and graceful in his delivery that one cannot but be charmed and follow him through the humorous and to the pa-thetic, from the heroic to the dialect, from "Palestine" to the lumber regions

gentleman with large experience in the matter of entertainments, says: "Mr. ence at the start and holds them en-thusiastic to the close. Everybody should

e given Friday, April 25th by the Weish

Byron W. King, the famous Chautau na elecutionist, will appear on the Men

in "All the World's a Stage." Reserved seats are now on sale.

Mr. King is an orator, actor and elocutionist of almost unparalleled merit, and Polk Miller, who has heard him, says:

"He will give an entertainment on Monday night not only intensely interesting and humarous, but pathetic as well.

Next Thursday night, in Association parlor, there will be an informal reception complimentary to Assistant Secretary Stubies.

The reception is in the hands of the committee, will be entirely informal, and every member of the Association, including Mr. Stubbs' aumerous gentlemen friends, are invited to attend.

Mr. Stubbs will leave the association next Saturday to become General Secretary of the Perismouth Association.

CONTEMPLATE REORGANIZING.

Should the Stuart Horse Guard Be Disbanded.

It seems to be generally expected by he members of the Stuart Herse Guard that Governor Tyler will dishand the Troop in view of the existing difficulty among the members as to who should command the same. The friends of Capmin E. J. Euker, the former commander appear to be more determined than ever to stand by him and it is said that they are already circulating a paper for signa-tures to organize a new Troop with him as captain should the old Stuart Horse mard go out of existence. On the other hand there are those who

till hope that a compromise might be ossible and the suggestion has been unde that Sergeant C. D. Wingfield would made that Sergeant C. D. Wingheld Would be just the very man to heal the breach. Sergeant Wingfield has been a member of the Troop for a good while and he would be in every respect well fitted for the position of captain. He would no doubt receive the united support of the anti-Euker faction, but it seems to be questionable whether Captain Euker's friends would be willing to substitute but for their former commander.

Iriends would be wining to satisfact him for their former commander.

If the Troop is really disbanded then an effort will also be made, it is said, by the anti-Euker faction to start a new troop and they claim that it would be an easy matter for them to secure the required number of members. There have been two cavalry troops in existence in required number of members. There have been two cavalry troops in existence in this city in the past and both have been in prosperous condition at least for a while, so there seems to be no good rea-son why two new troops could not be mustered in, provided this would meet with the approval of the commander-in-

Governor Tyler has not yet received any communication in the matter, and his information on the subject up to this time is only based on the publications in the newspapers.

Mr. Williams Promoted.

Mr. Wilson Williams the General Agent of Maryland for The Mutual Guarantee Building and Loan Association of this city has been promoted by that Asso-ciation to the position of Superintendent

of Agents.

This is but a slight acknowledgement on the part of the management, of their appreciation of the valuable services ren-dered by him since his connection with the Association, which soon after its

Yesterday about noon as an electric car on the Ciay street line was going west on Clay street between Fifth and Sixth, a cannot but be charmed and follow him through the humorous and to the pathetic, from the heroic to the dialect, from "Palestine" to the lumber regions of "Calaveras county, California," we such delight and pleasure that the two hours are gone before you know it.

Mr, Charles H. Wevill, manager of the

THE NEW HOME FOR INCURABLES.

The Corner-Stone to Be Laid Next Saturday Afternoon.

ORATION BY DR. CHAS. R. HYDE.

Strict Observance Lodge, Masons to Have Charge of the Imposing Ceremonies-Description of the New Institution.

The splendid new building, which it is expected, will be completed by next August, will be situated on west Broad street, between Robinson and Mulberry, the lot upon which it will be erected fronting 182 feet on Broad street and running back 129 feet to an alley. The location is a splendid one, being several feet higher than the adjacent country, thus securing excellent drainage and insuring the healthfulness of the situa-

J. Hunt, the well-known builder, the contract price for the same being \$15,000. The building will be four stories is height, the material used being the beau tiful cream-colored brick similar to that used in the construction of the Jeffer-son Hotel. These bricks are furnished by

son Hotel. These bricks are furnished by the Powhatan Brick Company at half price, in order to help the management of the Home for Incurables.

The building will front 103 feet on Broad street. Up to the water line bricks of a checolate gray color will be used. Above that, as before stated, cream-colored bricks will be the material employed. The window trimming will be of Kentucky bluestone, which will give a hand-some effect.

A mansard roof will top off the whole, and at either end there will be turrets. There will be forty rooms in the immense structure, exclusive of three large wards, closets, &c. A spacious cellar will give room for an immense laundry, as well as ample facilities for coal and other stores. The dining-room will be a spacious, handsome, and well-lighted apartment, in fact of the rooms will be un-

HSUARLY LARGE.

THEIR OWN PLANTS.

At present the location of the new home is too far from the city to secure the benefits of gas or water. This will be obviated, however, by the construction of an individual gas plant. A tank on the roof will furnish the water which he constructed to the construction of the roof will furnish the water which

sufficient on hand to entirely complete the fourth story.

The proposed building when completed will be a credit to that section of the country, and a monument to the noble work of the ladies who have for four years been struggling to provide a home in which those afflicted with incurable diseases could pass their last years in comparative comfort.

A charter was granted to the Home by the Legislature March I, 1894, and the ladies devoted the spring and summer of that year to raising money for necessary

come from membership fees, etc., amou-ed to \$500 and the small house. No. I Ross street was rented. This has be the quarters of the Home eyer since. I

Owing to the unavoidable circumstance. Owing to the unavoidable circumstances formal invitations could not be extended to all of the Masonic bodies of the city. It is earnestly desired, however, that as many as can do so, will unite with Strict Observance Lodge and attend the laying of the corner-stone.

Invitations have been extended to the Board of Alderman and Common Council.

Board of Aldermen and Common Council of the city, and the members are expected to be present.

COSTUMES FOR TO-DAY.

Beautiful Easter Outfits to be Seen

Here To-Day.

"The flowers that bloom in the spring" have a great deal to do "with the case" to-day, when Beauty, with, if not all, certainly a good many-shall it be said—"imperfections on its head" will throng the streets leading to the churches: It is always expected that Easter Sunday will be a bright day. It will be against every-body's wishes and all precedents, should "the rains descend and the winds blow," and beat upon the spirits of a depressed female populace, and inevitably upon the spirits of disappointed gentlemen. What will become of the gallant habitues of the Westmoreland, Commonwealth and Albemaric Clubs, if rain cheafs them of their view of beauty in its Easter bonnet and its Easter gown, and what will become of the great multitude of gentlemen who prefer the sidewalk, et ceterae, for their point of view? Let us hope that it will not ther one, made up of all the wily arts of which fashion is mistress—beautiful in exture, delicate in color. To-day should the Fates smile, and the sun shine, the streets will be full of her. She will never think of staying indoors un-less (O awful possibility!) It should be a case of no Easter "clothes." Poor Flora McPlimssy! How cruel to have nothing to wear! The churches to-day will be

poke, with strings tied under the chir



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The corner-stone of the magnificent new building to be crected by the Virginia Home for Incurables will be laid next Saturday afternoon, April 16th, Strict Observance Lodge, No. 207, A. F. and A. M. having charge of the exercises. An address appropriate to the occasion will be delivered by Rev. Charles R. Hyde, pastor of the Third Presbyterian church.
The lodge will meet at their lodge-room in St. Albans Hall, corner of Main and Third streets at 3:20 P. M. sharp, and will then take the Traction cars at Broad street and proceed to the grounds where they will be formed and the corner-stone they will be laid promptly at 4 o'clock P. M. The musical programme will be under

cared for twenty-three patients, and there are now twelve inmates, all of whom are either Confederate soldiers, or the children of Confederates.

dress-makers have been doing their very important part in swelling the volume of the "choir invisible," and unless all signs fail "the ladies of St. James" and others

"Even Solomon in all his glory-was not arrayed like one of these." Of course, not. That stands to reason, and is not exactly a felicitous quotation, but will do. She will not be fearful, but she will be wonderful. The gentlemen (fathers and husbands) who pay the bills, will be fearful. In the meantime Easter Sunduy, 1898, will have passed on into the shade with the other, 1897, and the Easter bonnet will have also passed on.

Dr. Menzel Going West.

Rev. Paul L. Menzel, D. D., will leave Richmond on Sunday night for an extended trip to the West. He expects to be absent from the city twelve days, and his charge at St. John's German Evangelical church will be filled during that time by Rev. W. D. Kirschman. Dr. Menzol goe in his official capacity as president of th Board of Directors of the institutions of learning of the German Evangelica Church, to attend the annual meetings The first meeting will take place in St. Louis, Mo., at Eden College, the Theological Seminary of the denomination. From there Dr. Menzel will proceed to Eimhurst College, in Chicago, and return-ing, will attend another meeting at Washington, D. C.

Epworth League Rally,

the direction of Brother F. W. Cunningham, who will be assisted by some of Bichmond's best talent. Brother W. H. Crew, Marshall of Strict Observance Lodge, will be in charge of the line and will have as aids several prominent Masons of the city. The masters of other lodges will fill positions assigned to them and assist in the ceremony which is very interesting and if the weather permits there will no doubt be a large attendance.

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